



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Sachi A. Hamai, Executive Officer-  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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At its meeting held November 18, 2008, the Board took the following action:

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The following statement was entered into the record for Supervisors Yaroslavsky and Antonovich:

“On November 15, 2008, several fires occurred in the County of Los Angeles which resulted in the loss of property, evacuations, and the closure of major transportation routes. The disaster sites remain unusable, and have had a negative impact on businesses and individuals. Economic assistance is necessary for those businesses and individuals who may not be able to recover from this disaster. These conditions necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency within Los Angeles County

“This disaster will require an assessment of the impacted sites to ensure the safety of all efforts, law enforcement, and other personnel as reentry and reconstruction occurs. Once the cause(s) of these fires have been identified, mitigation measures must be made to avoid a reoccurrence of such an event in the future.”

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Yaroslavsky, seconded by Supervisor Burke, unanimously carried, the Board took the following actions:

1. Made a finding pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(b)(2), that there is a need to take immediate action and that the need for action came to the attention of the Board subsequent to the agenda being posted as specified in subdivision (a);
2. Ratified the attached proclamation of a local emergency made on November 15, 2008, for the fires started in Los Angeles County on November 14, 2008, with the proclamation to remain in effect until its termination is proclaimed by the Board;
3. Approved and instructed the Chair to sign, upon Board approval, the attached proclamation of a local emergency for Los Angeles County; and

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4. Instructed the Chief Executive Officer to:

- Forward a copy of the proclamation to the Governor of California with the request that he proclaim the existence of a State of Emergency throughout Los Angeles County;
- Request the Governor of California to forward the Proclamation of Local Emergency to the President of the United States with a request that he make a Declaration of a Major Emergency;
- Forward a copy of the proclamation to the Director of the Governor's Office of Emergency Services with the request that the Director find it acceptable in accordance with State law; and
- Provide status reports while the emergency restoration actions are underway.

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Attachment

Copies distributed:

Each Supervisor  
Chief Executive Officer  
County Counsel  
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Emergency Management